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For: Methods and Apparatus for Creating )  
Particle Derivatives of HDL With Reduced )  
Lipid Content )

Art Unit: 1653

Examiner: Robert B. Mondesi

**THIRD AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed March 31, 2006, a six-month period for reply to which expires October 2, 2006, applicants respectfully request amendment of the application and its reconsideration based upon the amendments and the following remarks. Applicants request a three-month extension of time to submit a response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed March 31, 2006. A Petition for Extension of Time and Form PTO-2038 are enclosed herewith authorizing the charge to cover the fee for the three-month extension.

**Amendments to Claims start on page 2 of this paper.****Remarks start on page 11 of this paper.****Conclusion starts on page 14 of this paper.**

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